

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Babich, et al.

Art Unit: 1652

Serial No: Not yet assigned

Examiner: Patterson, C.

Filed: Herewith

Attorney Docket No. BSA-7.02

For: Matrices for Drug Delivery and
Methods for Making and Using the
Same

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail, postage prepaid, "Post Office to Addressee," in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box Patent Application, Washington, D.C. 20231 on the date indicated below:

February 15, 2002

Date of Signature
and of Mail Deposit

Kristen Willett

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed in conjunction with a continuation filing based on U.S. Serial No. 09/503,438. Prior to substantive examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as follows:

10077475-021502